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For: OPTICAL COMMUNICATION SYSTEM INCLUDING A TRANSMISSION LINE
COMPENSATING DEVICE THAT PRODUCES RAMAN AMPLIFICATION BASED
UPON A CONTROL SIGNAL

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 11, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1- 34 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 1-3, 6-9, 12-16, 19-22 and 25-26 are amended to more clearly define the invention and claims 27-34 are added. Claims 1, 7, 14, 20, 27, and 34 are independent.

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